

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

On page 14, first full paragraph, please amend as indicated below.

As also shown in Figs. 3 to 6, the outer layer bottle 1 is such that a cylindrical mouth portion 4 is connected to an upper end of an elastically squeeze-deformable bottomed tubular body 2 via a shoulder portion 3 having a diameter gradually decreasing toward its upper end. As shown in Fig. 6, the body 2 has a flat oval peripheral wall which includes front and rear rigid wall portions 5 spaced a predetermined distance in opposed relation, left and right flexible connection wall portions 6 respectively connecting left and right edges of the front rigid wall portion to left and right edges of the rear rigid wall portion, and has an anteroposterior thickness AT which is smaller than a lateral width LW thereof. The rigid wall portions 5 (front and rear wall portions) each have a vertically elongated rectangular shape as viewed from the front side, and are generally planar in cross section and vertical section. The cross section and the vertical section are not necessarily required to be completely planar, but may be slightly curved. The flexible connection wall portions 6 (left and right wall portions) each have an arcuate shape with an anteroposteriorly middle portion thereof projecting laterally outward, and each have a curvature radius which is smaller than the length of the minor axis of the body 2. Upper edges of the rigid wall portions 5 are each connected to the shoulder portion 3 via a flexible upper connection portion 7, and lower edges of the rigid wall portions 5 are each connected to a bottom portion 2a of the body 2 via a flexible lower connection portion 8. Thus, the peripheries of the rigid wall portions 5 are each surrounded only by the flexible portions 6, 7, 8. Further, the front and rear rigid wall portions 5 are integrally connected to the bottom portion 2a and the

shoulder portion 3 only by the flexible portions 6, 7, 8, with the front wall portion rearwardly recessed from the upper and lower connection portions 7, 8, as see in Fig. 4.

On page 15, immediately preceding the last paragraph, please insert the following:

The thicknesses of the front and rear wall portions 5 and left and right wall portions 6 are selected so that: a) the front and rear wall portions can be pressed towards each other by squeezing forces applied by fingers of a user without being significantly warped; and b) the left and right wall portions are elastically deformable by the squeezing forces applied by the user's fingers to the front and rear walls to allow the front and rear walls to be moved towards each other.